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Reference: Amended 30 Day Post-General Report (10/17/02-11/25/02), dated 4/11/03

Dear Ms. Carey:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule A of your report indicates that your committee has failed to file one or more of the required 48 hour notices regarding "last minute" contributions received by your committee after the close of books for the 12 Day Pre-General report. Campaign committees that file electronically must file these notices electronically. A principal campaign committee must notify the Commission, within 48 hours of any contribution of \$1,000 or more received between two and twenty days before an election. These contributions are then to be reported on the next report required to be filed by the committee. To ensure that the Commission is notified of last minute contributions of \$1,000 or more to your campaign, it is recommended that you review your procedures for checking contributions received during the aforementioned time period. Although the Commission may take legal action, any response you wish to provide concerning this matter will be considered. (11 CFR 104.18(a) and (c))

Any amendment or clarification should be filed with the Federal Election Commission. Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations, and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.